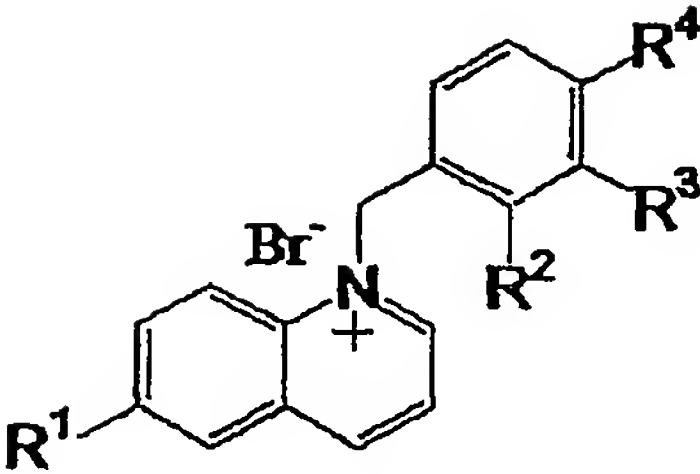


FIGURE 1



Probe	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴
<i>o</i> -BMOQBA	OCH ₃	B(OH) ₂	H	H
<i>m</i> -BMOQBA	OCH ₃	H	B(OH) ₂	H
<i>p</i> -BMOQBA	OCH ₃	H	H	B(OH) ₂
BMOQ	OCH ₃	H	H	H
<i>o</i> -BMQBA	CH ₃	B(OH) ₂	H	H
<i>m</i> -BMQBA	CH ₃	H	B(OH) ₂	H
<i>p</i> -BMQBA	CH ₃	H	H	B(OH) ₂
BMQ	CH ₃	H	H	H

FIGURE 2

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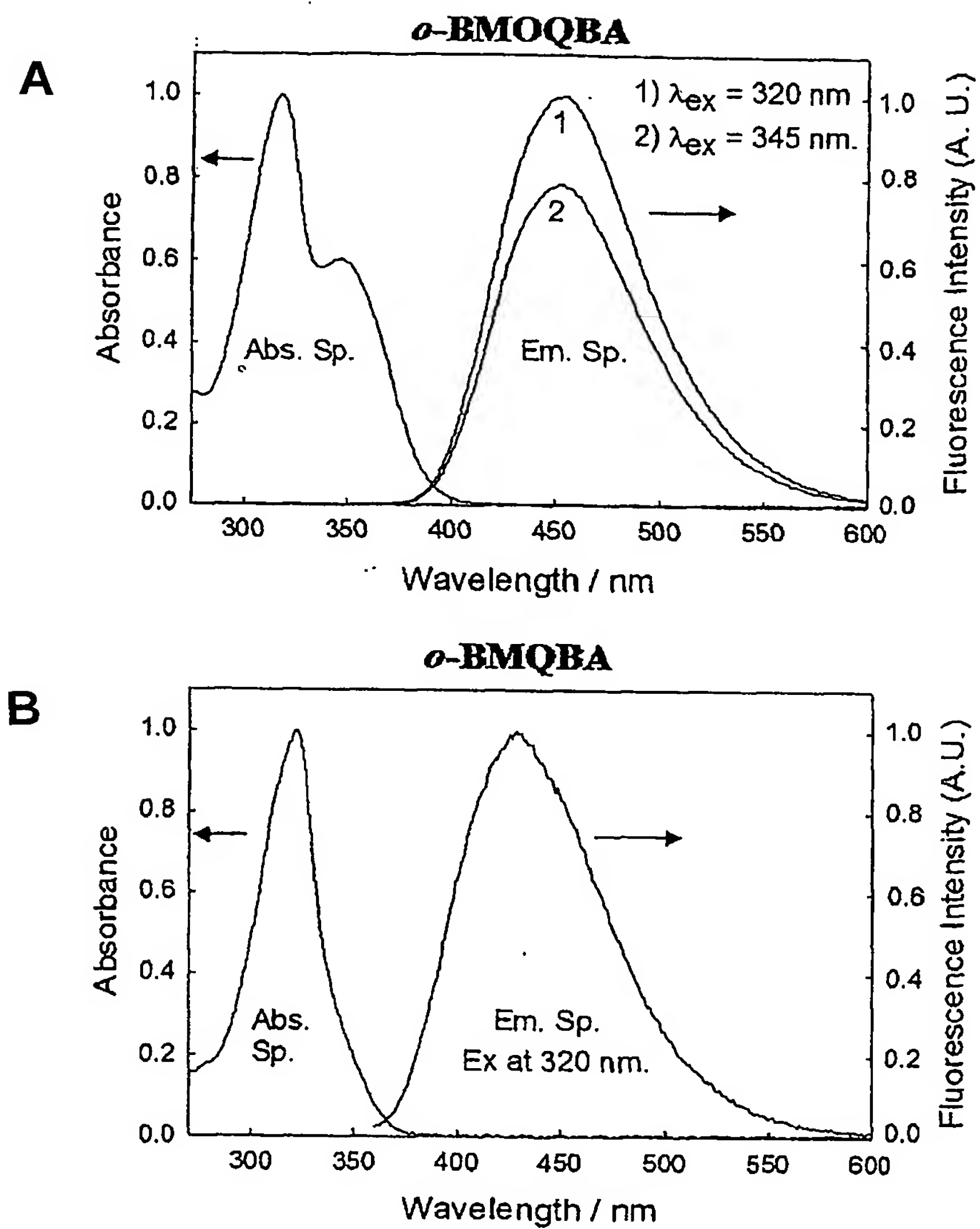


FIGURE 3

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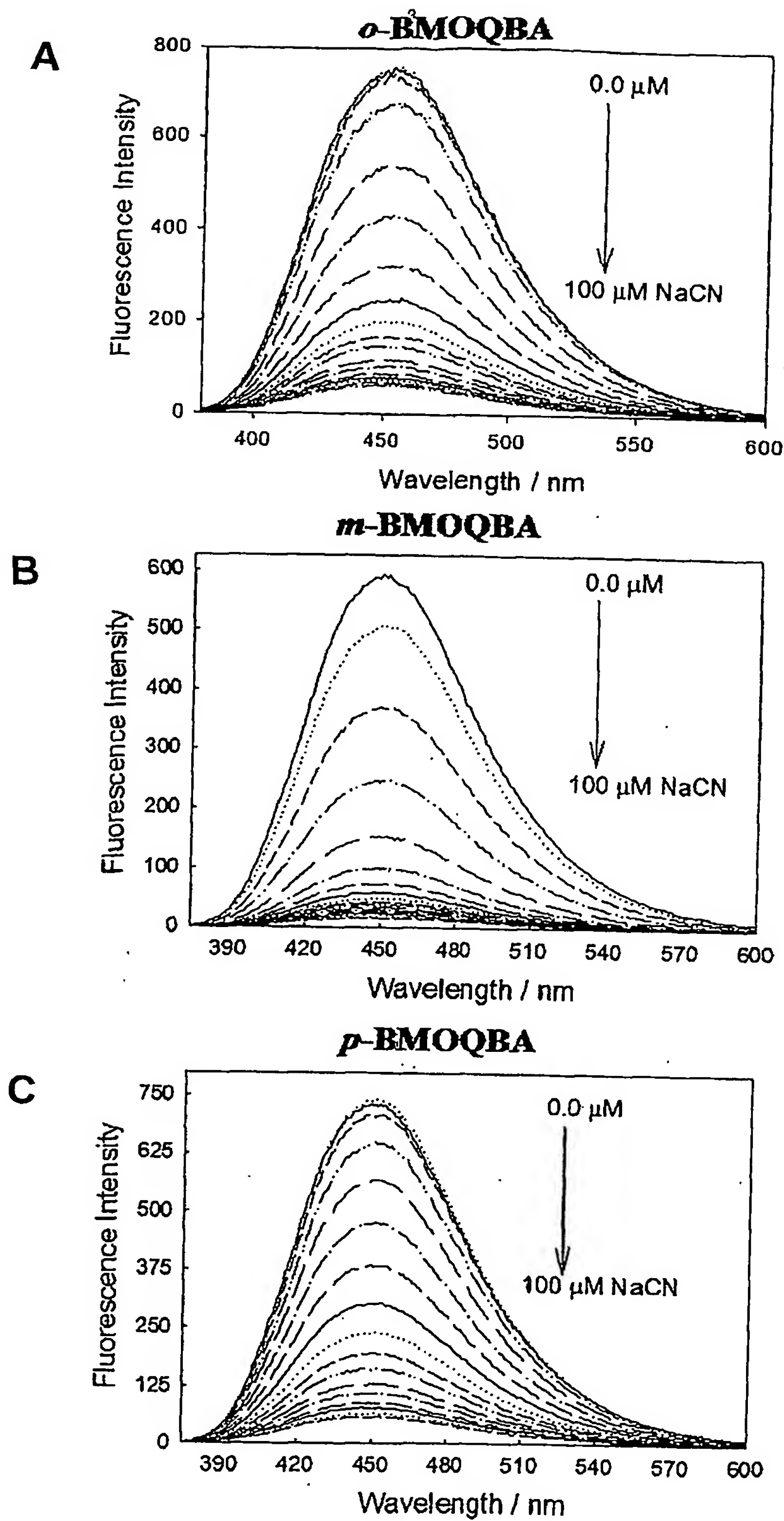


FIGURE 4

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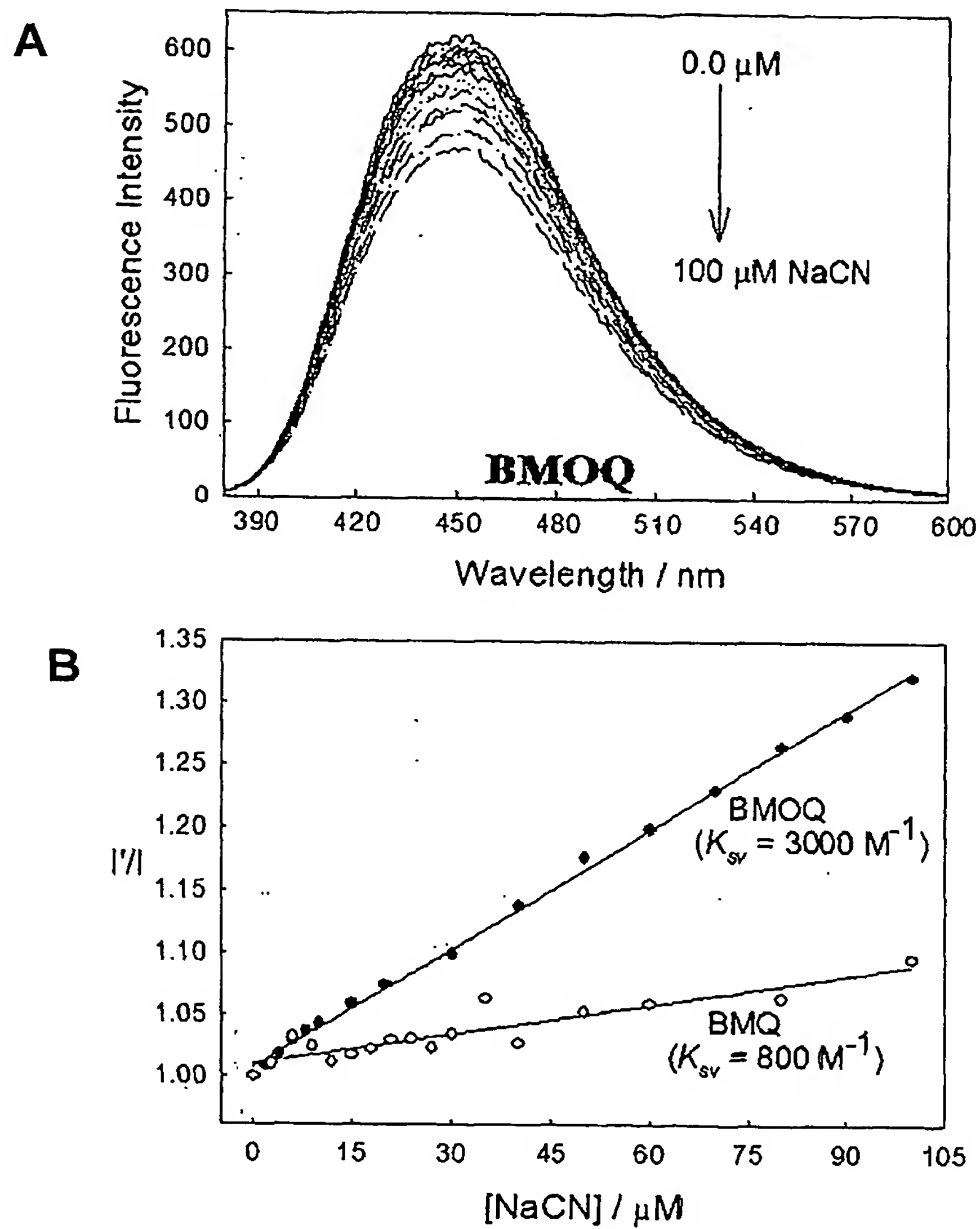


FIGURE 5

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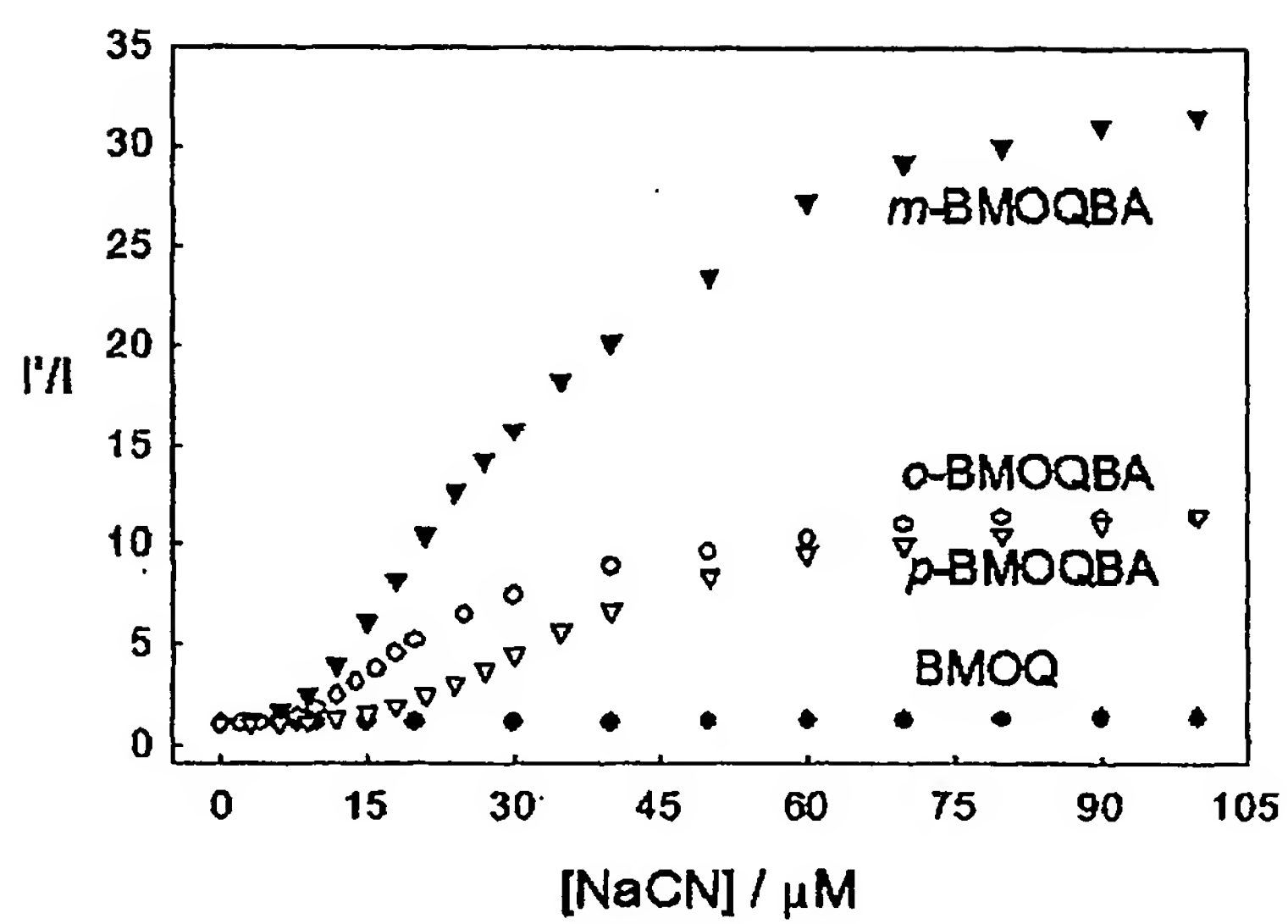


FIGURE 6

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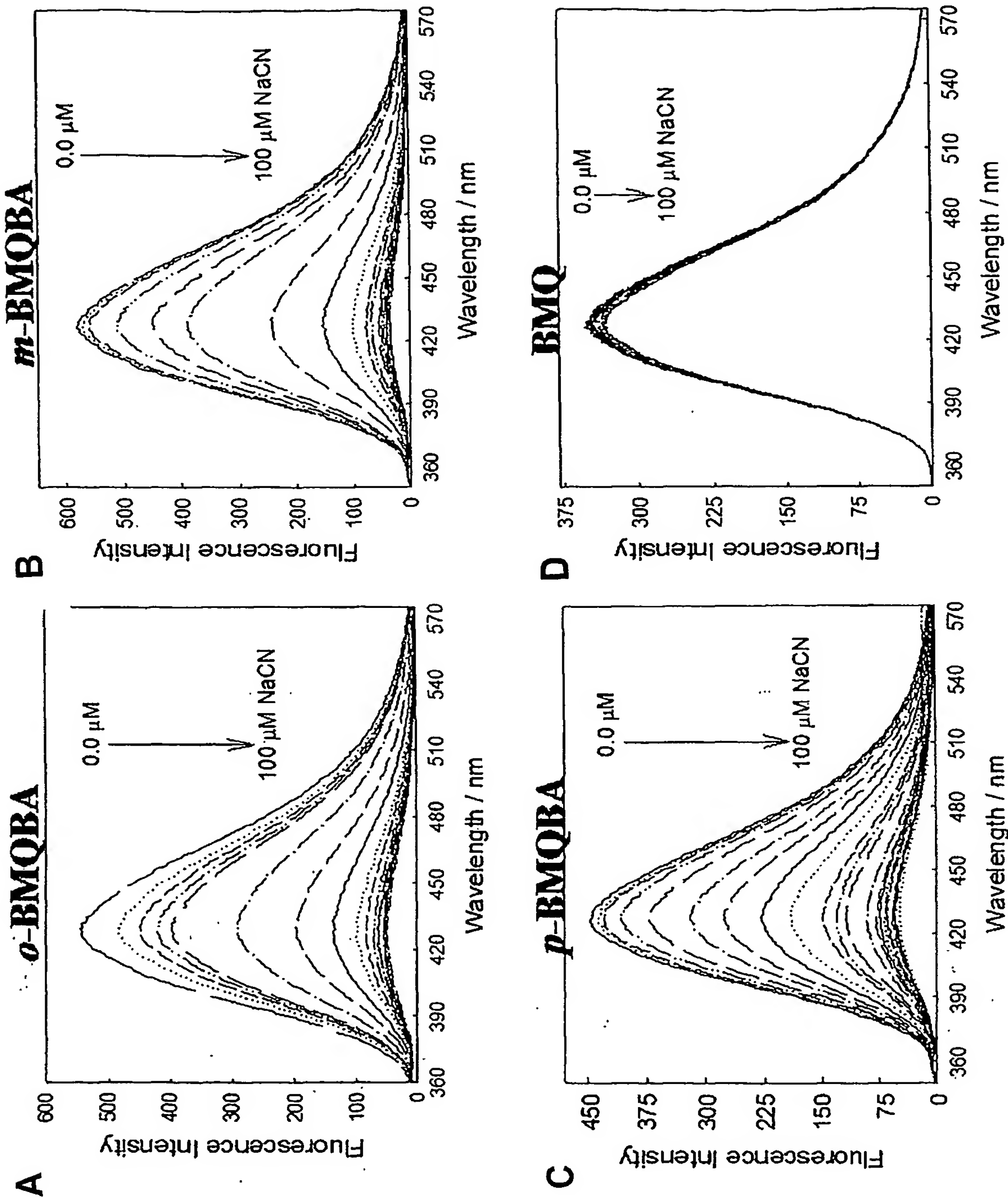
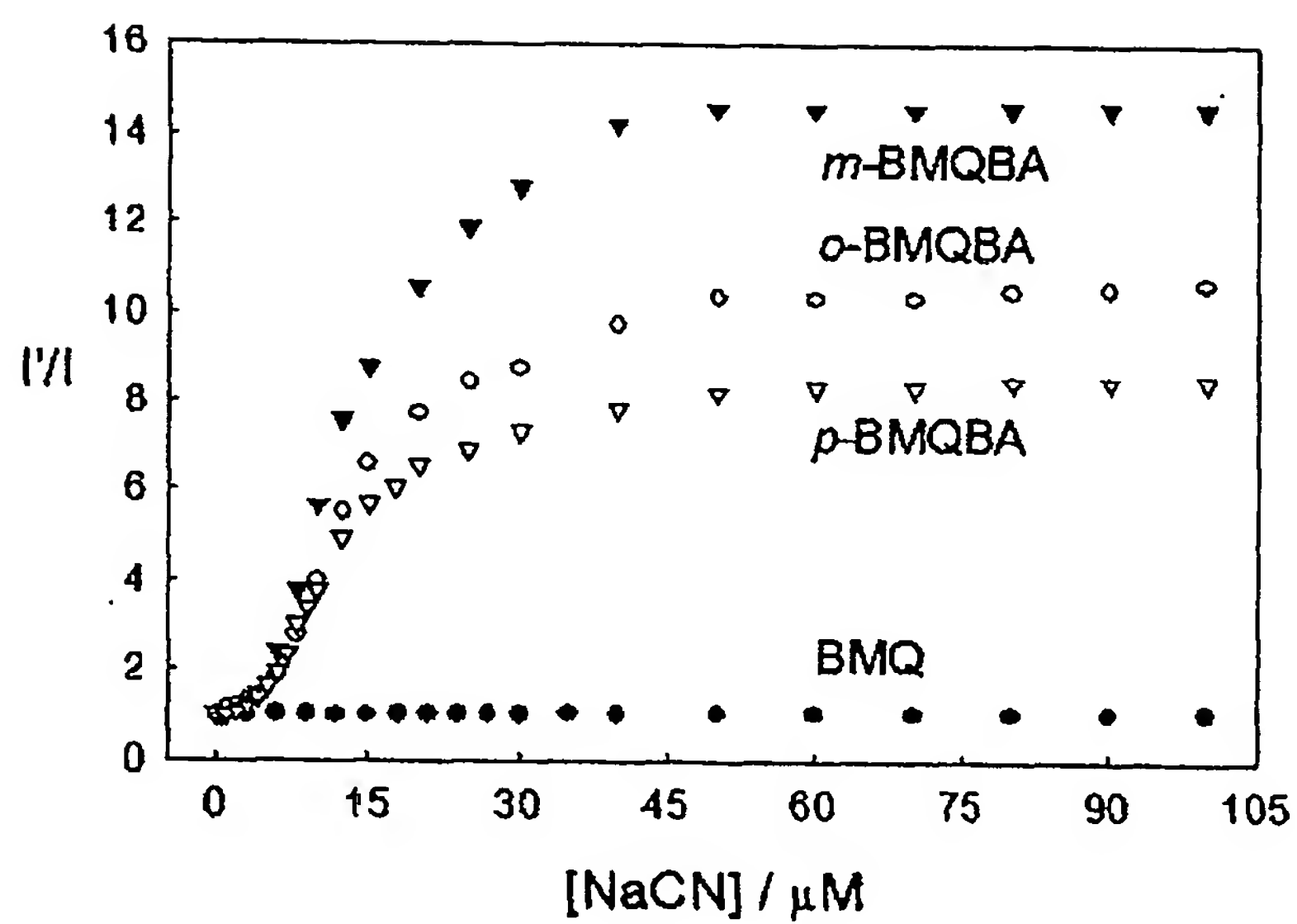


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FIGURE 8

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Table 1 - Dissociation constants, K_D (μM^3), for the probes with cyanide in water.

Probe	K_D (μM^3)
<i>o</i> -BMOQBA	52.9
<i>m</i> -BMOQBA	84.0
<i>p</i> -BMOQBA	20.8
BMOQ	---
<i>o</i> -BMQBA	16.7
<i>m</i> -BMQBA	16.9
<i>p</i> -BMQBA	15.9
BMQ	---

FIGURE 9

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Table 2 – Multiexponential Intensity decay of BMOQ and o-BMOQBA

[Cyanide] μM	τ_1 (ns)	α_1	τ_2 (ns)	α_2	$\bar{\tau}$ (ns)	$\langle\tau\rangle$ (ns)	χ^2
*o-BMOQBA							
0	26.71	1.0			26.71	26.71	1.33
5	26.33	1.0			26.33	26.33	1.13
10	26.34	1.0			26.34	26.34	1.21
15	26.19	1.0			26.19	26.19	1.30
25	24.78	1.0			24.78	24.78	1.23
35	0.324	0.0160	25.54	0.9840	25.53	25.14	1.35
45	0.326	0.0184	25.10	0.9816	25.09	24.64	1.46
50	0.455	0.0176	25.20	0.9824	25.19	24.76	1.41
*BMOQ							
0	27.30	1.0			27.30	27.30	1.08
5	27.04	1.0			27.04	27.04	1.10
10	26.74	1.0			26.74	26.74	1.12
15	26.53	1.0			26.53	26.53	1.06
20	26.25	1.0			26.25	26.25	1.14
30	25.86	1.0			25.86	25.86	1.17
40	25.37	1.0			25.37	25.37	1.05
50	25.00	1.0			25.00	25.00	1.16

* $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 372 \text{ nm}$, emission was collected with a 416 nm cut-off filter. BMOQ $K_{\text{SV}} \approx 2 \text{ nM}^{-1}$.

FIGURE 10

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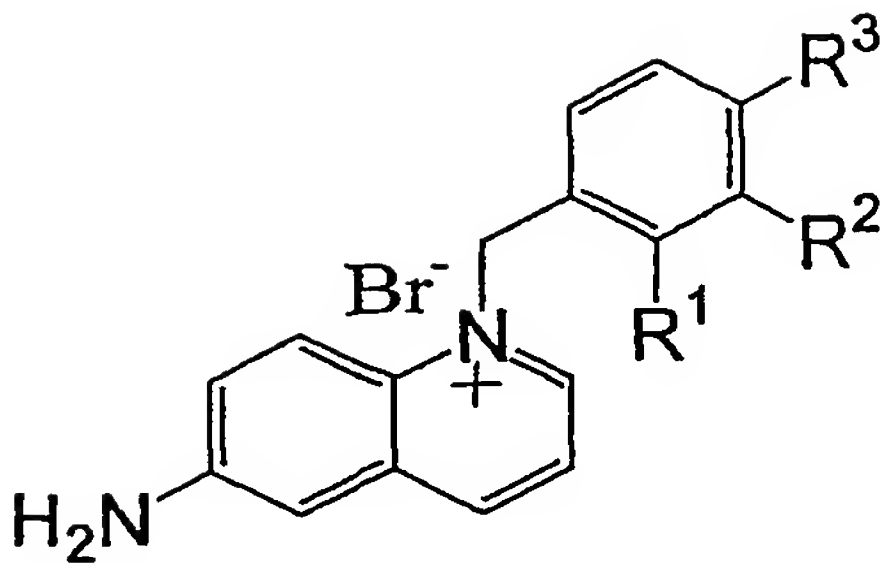
Table 3 – Multiexponential Intensity decay of BMQ and o-BMQBA

[Cyanide] μM	τ_1 (ns)	α_1	τ_2 (ns)	α_2	$\bar{\tau}$ (ns)	$\langle\tau\rangle$ (ns)	χ^2
*o-BMQBA							
0	2.18	0.4646	4.74	0.5354	4.01	3.55	1.00
5	2.14	0.4615	4.45	0.5385	3.78	3.38	1.12
10	2.28	0.5704	4.75	0.4296	3.78	3.34	1.04
15	1.86	0.3265	3.64	0.6735	3.29	3.06	0.97
20	1.88	0.3476	3.69	0.6524	3.30	3.06	1.04
30	1.44	0.1762	3.27	0.8238	3.11	2.95	1.21
40	1.92	0.3511	3.59	0.6489	3.21	3.00	0.90
50	1.87	0.3320	3.58	0.6680	3.22	3.01	1.07
*BMQ							
0	2.59	1.0			2.59	2.59	1.07
5	2.58	1.0			2.58	2.58	1.09
10	2.59	1.0			2.59	2.59	1.07
15	2.57	1.0			2.57	2.57	1.02
20	2.57	1.0			2.57	2.57	1.12
30	2.55	1.0			2.55	2.55	1.08
40	2.55	1.0			2.55	2.55	1.14
50	2.55	1.0			2.55	2.55	1.17

* $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 372 \text{ nm}$, emission was collected with a 416 nm cut-off filter. BMQ $K_{\text{sv}} \approx 0.4 \text{ nM}^{-1}$.

FIGURE 11

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Probe	R ¹	R ²	R ³
<i>o</i> -BAQBA	B(OH) ₂	H	H
<i>m</i> -BAQBA	H	B(OH) ₂	H
<i>p</i> -BAQBA	H	H	B(OH) ₂
BAQ	H	H	H

FIGURE 12

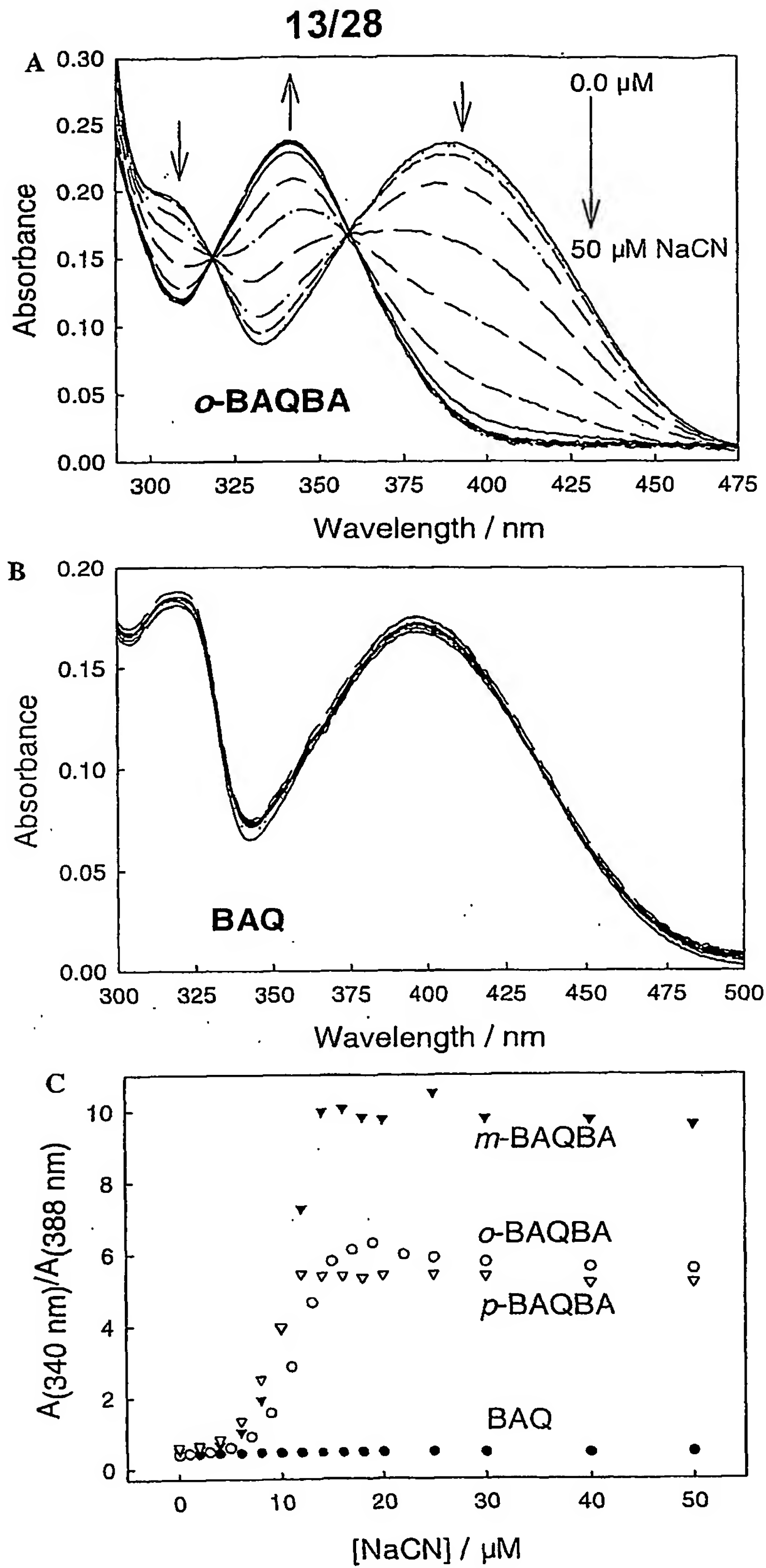
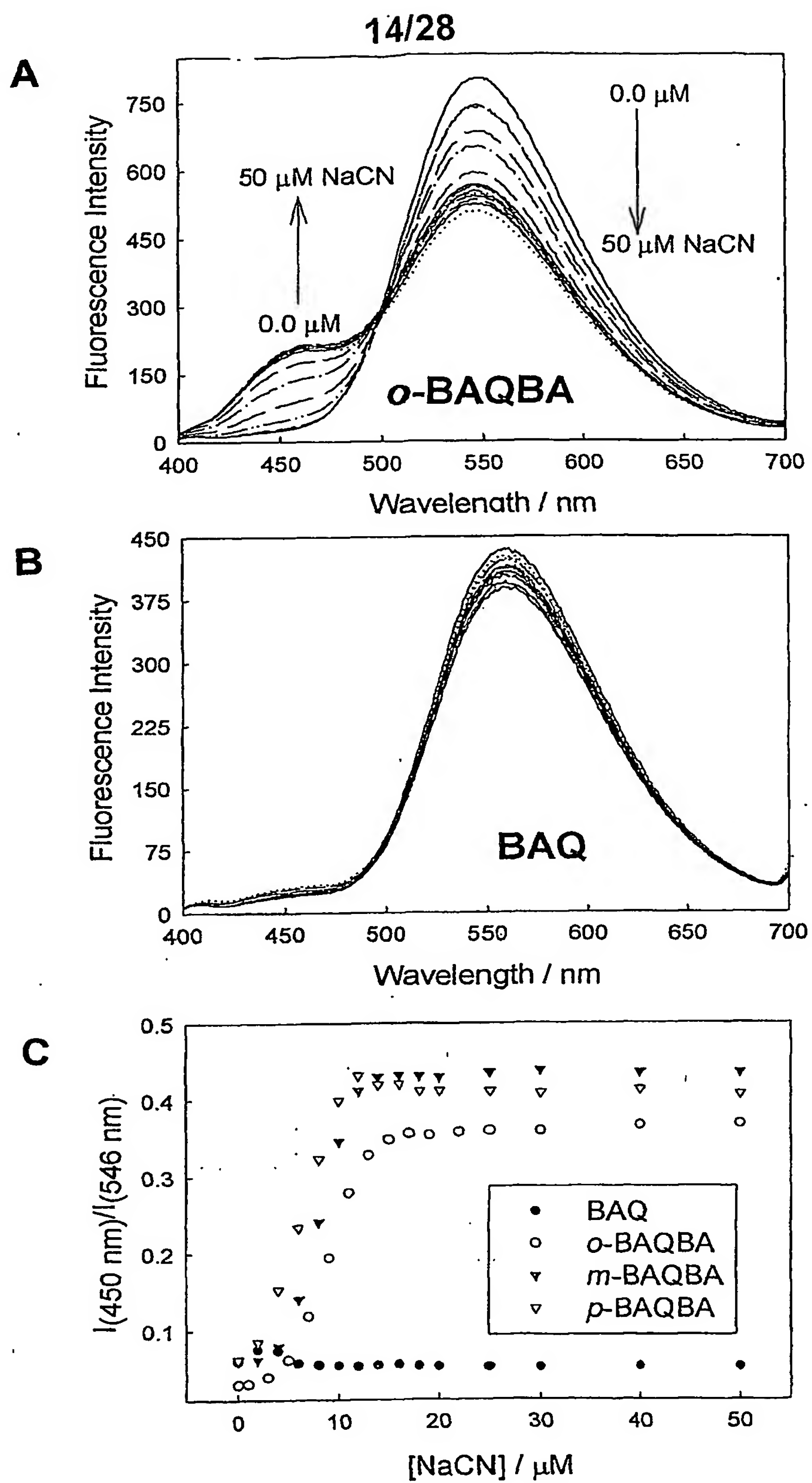
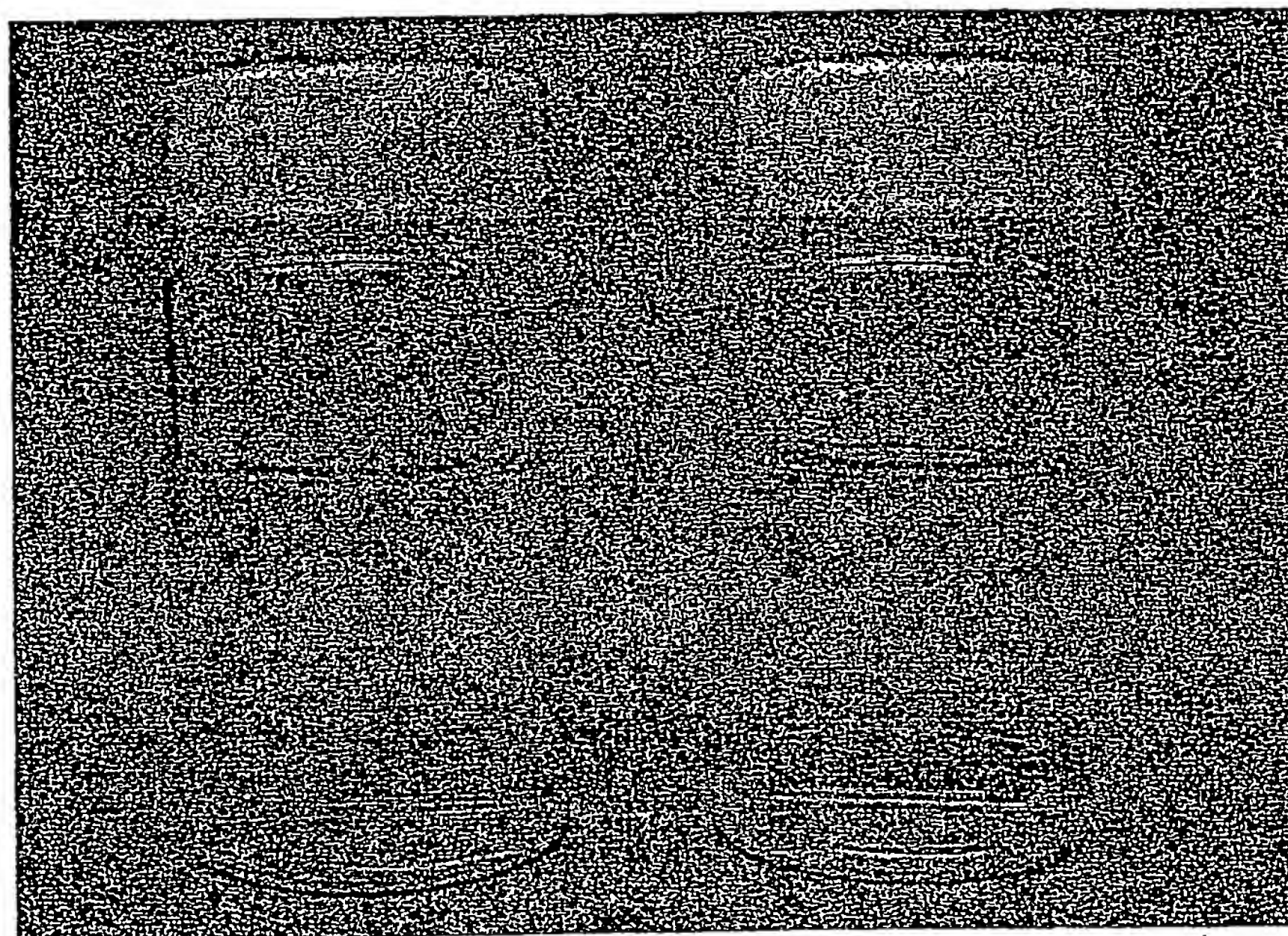


FIGURE 13

**FIGURE 14**

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FIGURE 15

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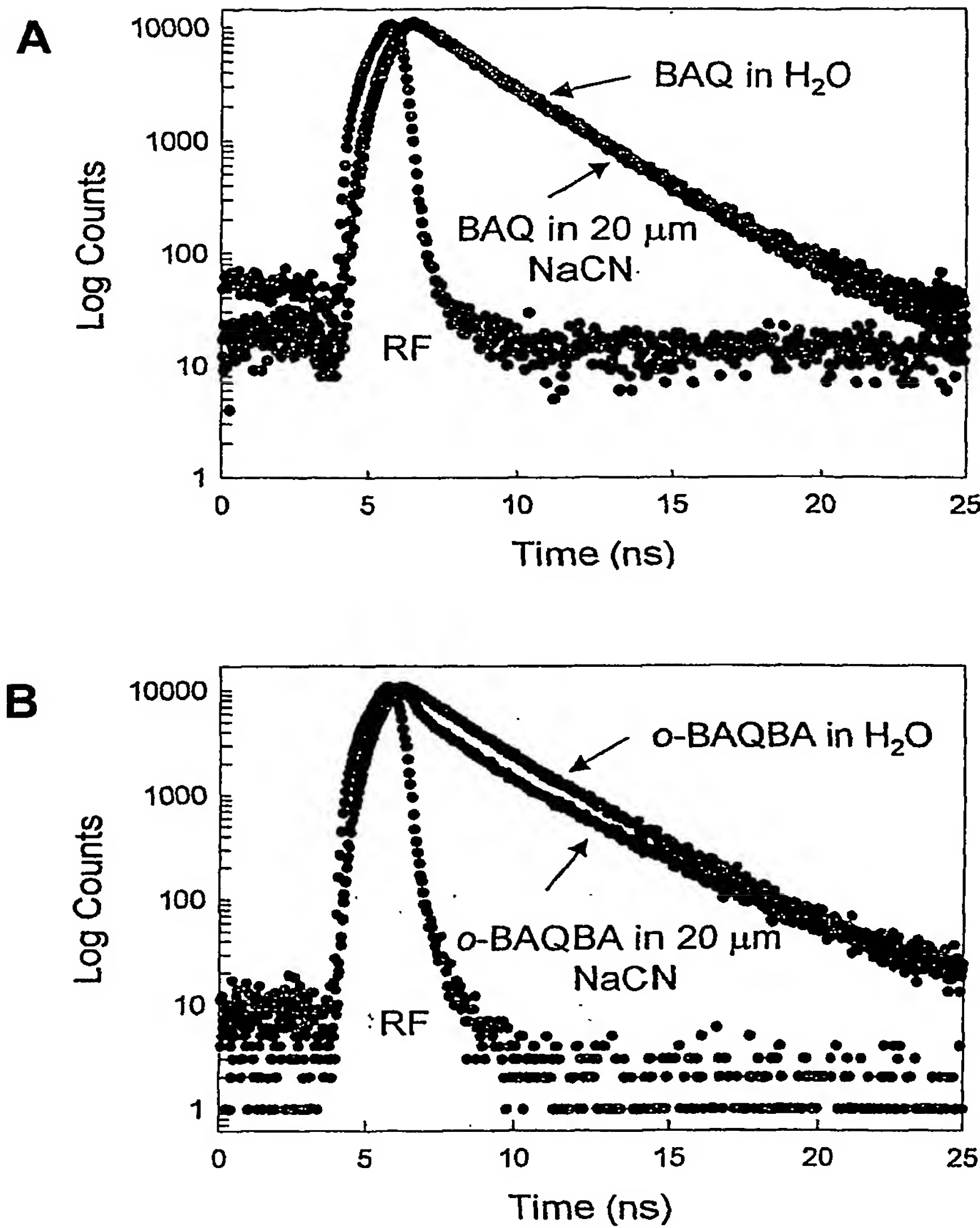


FIGURE 16

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Table 4: Multiexponential intensity decay of BAQ and *o*-BAQBA

[Cyanide] μM	τ_1 (ns)	α_1	τ_2 (ns)	α_2	τ_3 (ns)	α_3	$\bar{\tau}$	$\langle \tau \rangle$	χ^2
BAQ									
0	2.48	1	-	-	-	-	2.48	2.48	1.10
2	2.48	1	-	-	-	-	2.48	2.48	1.02
4	2.49	1	-	-	-	-	2.49	2.49	1.19
6	2.49	1	-	-	-	-	2.49	2.49	1.32
10	2.49	1	-	-	-	-	2.49	2.49	1.18
16	2.49	1	-	-	-	-	2.49	2.49	1.28
20	2.47	1	-	-	-	-	2.47	2.47	0.89
<i>o</i>-BAQBA									
(380 nm) ^a									
0	2.04	0.71	3.41	0.29	-	-	2.59	2.44	1.06
2	2.02	0.68	3.367	0.32	-	-	2.61	2.45	0.99
4	1.98	0.67	3.37	0.33	-	-	2.61	2.44	0.94
6	1.92	0.62	3.23	0.38	-	-	2.59	2.42	1.06
8 ^c	1.55	0.41	2.98	0.59	-	-	2.60	2.39	1.53
10 ^c	0.67	0.19	2.64	0.81	-	-	2.53	2.27	2.15
12.5	0.44	0.22	2.60	0.78	-	-	2.50	2.12	2.37
	0.21	0.17	2.07	0.63	3.99	0.20	2.76	2.14	1.08
15	0.38	0.28	2.61	0.72	-	-	2.49	1.98	2.18
	0.21	0.23	1.85	0.44	3.46	0.32	2.71	1.97	1.01
20	0.38	0.30	2.65	0.70	-	-	2.52	1.97	2.47
	0.19	0.24	1.69	0.39	3.36	0.37	2.72	1.95	1.12
(550 nm) ^b									
0	1.99	0.63	3.19	0.37	-	-	2.57	2.43	0.99
2	1.93	0.59	3.15	0.41	-	-	2.58	2.43	0.98
4	2.04	0.70	3.39	0.30	-	-	2.60	2.45	1.07
6	1.87	0.51	2.97	0.49	-	-	2.53	2.41	1.10
8	1.86	0.55	3.14	0.45	-	-	2.60	2.44	1.01
10	1.75	0.48	3.10	0.52	-	-	2.63	2.45	1.17
12.5	1.85	0.61	3.48	0.39	-	-	2.74	2.49	1.03
15	1.32	0.31	2.93	0.69	-	-	2.66	2.43	1.25
20	1.19	0.30	2.97	0.70	-	-	2.71	2.44	0.92

^a380 nm long-pass filter.^b550±10 nm interference filter.^cNo notable improvement in fit could be obtained using a 3-exponent function. Similar values were also found for the *meta*- and *para*-BAQBA probes.

FIGURE 17

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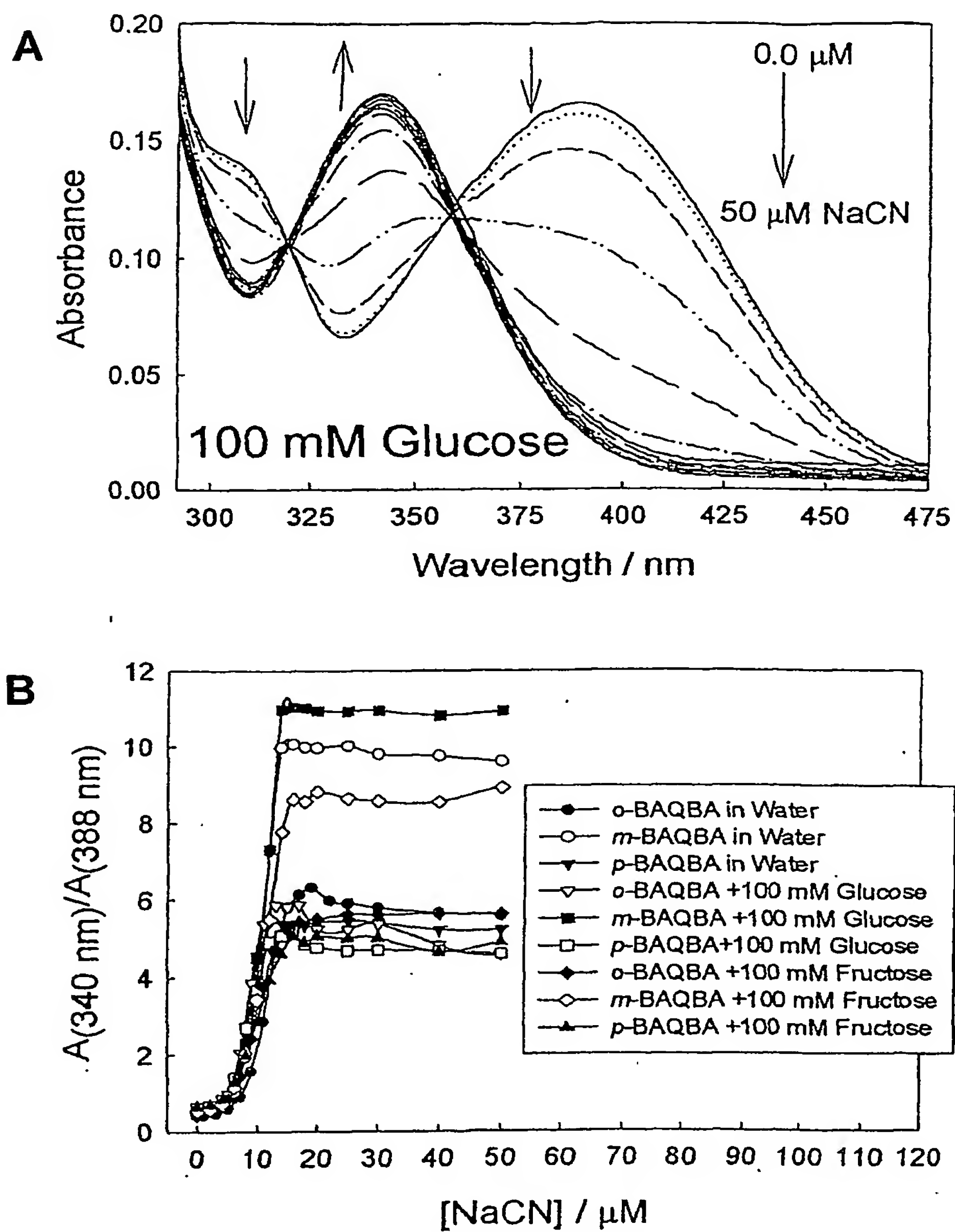


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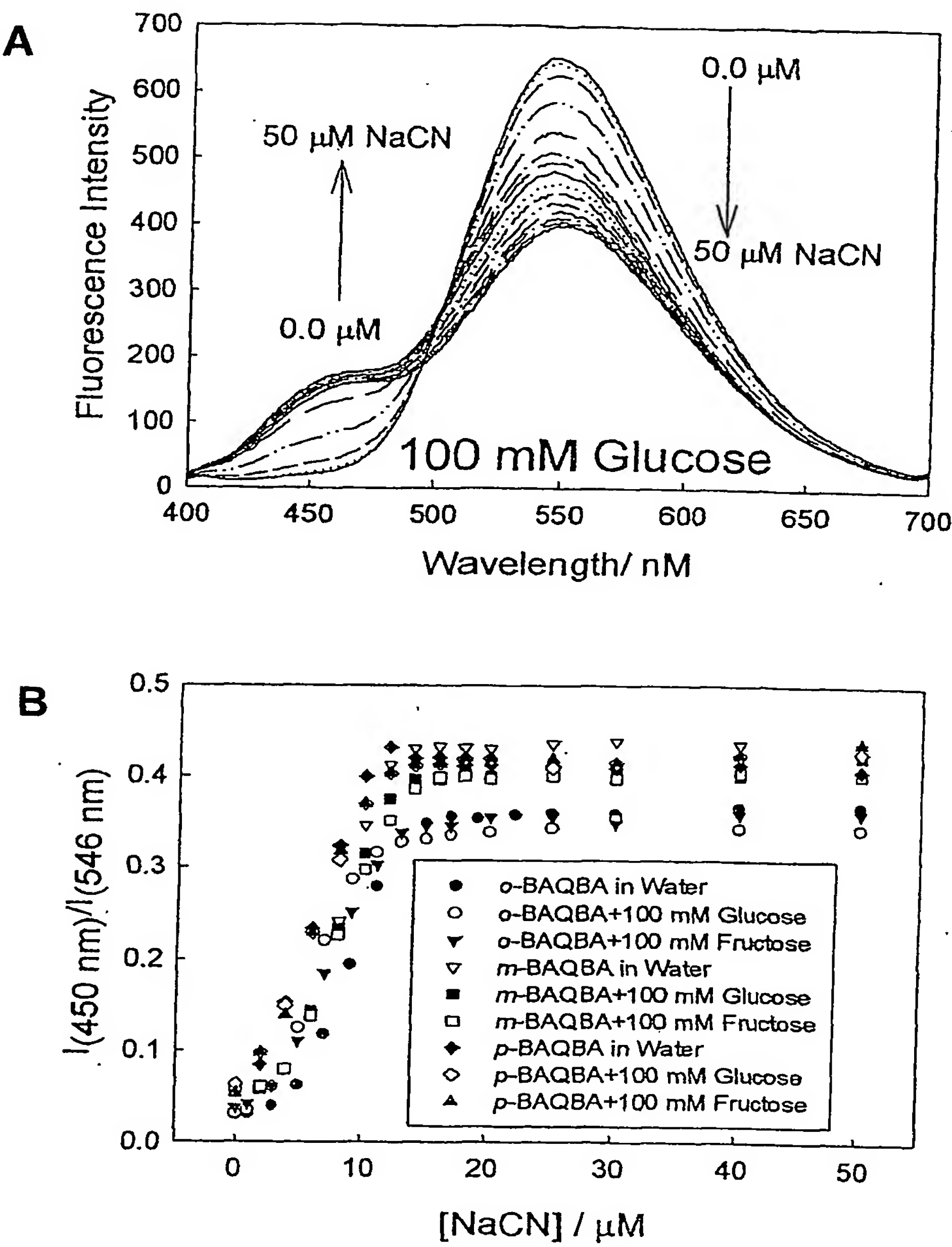


FIGURE 19

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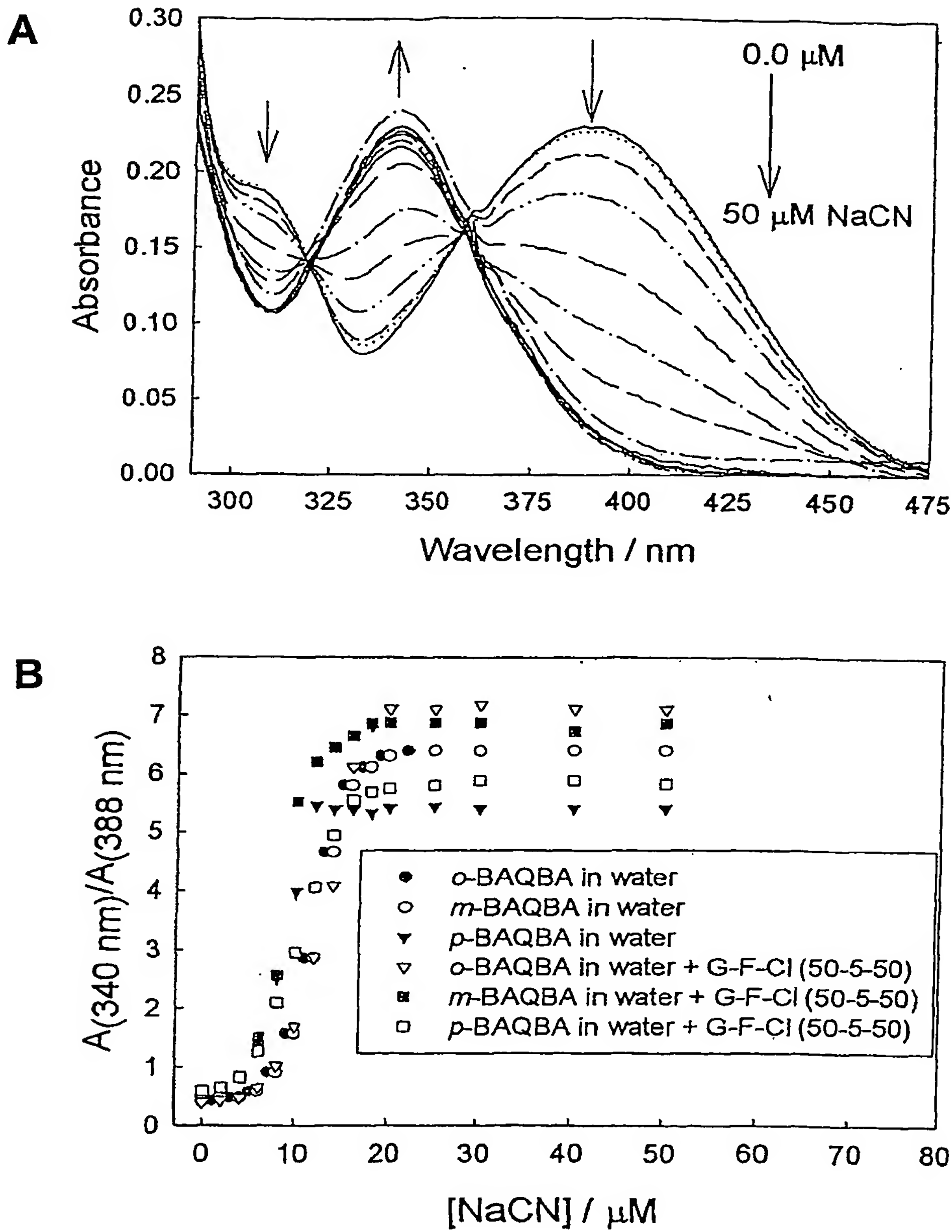


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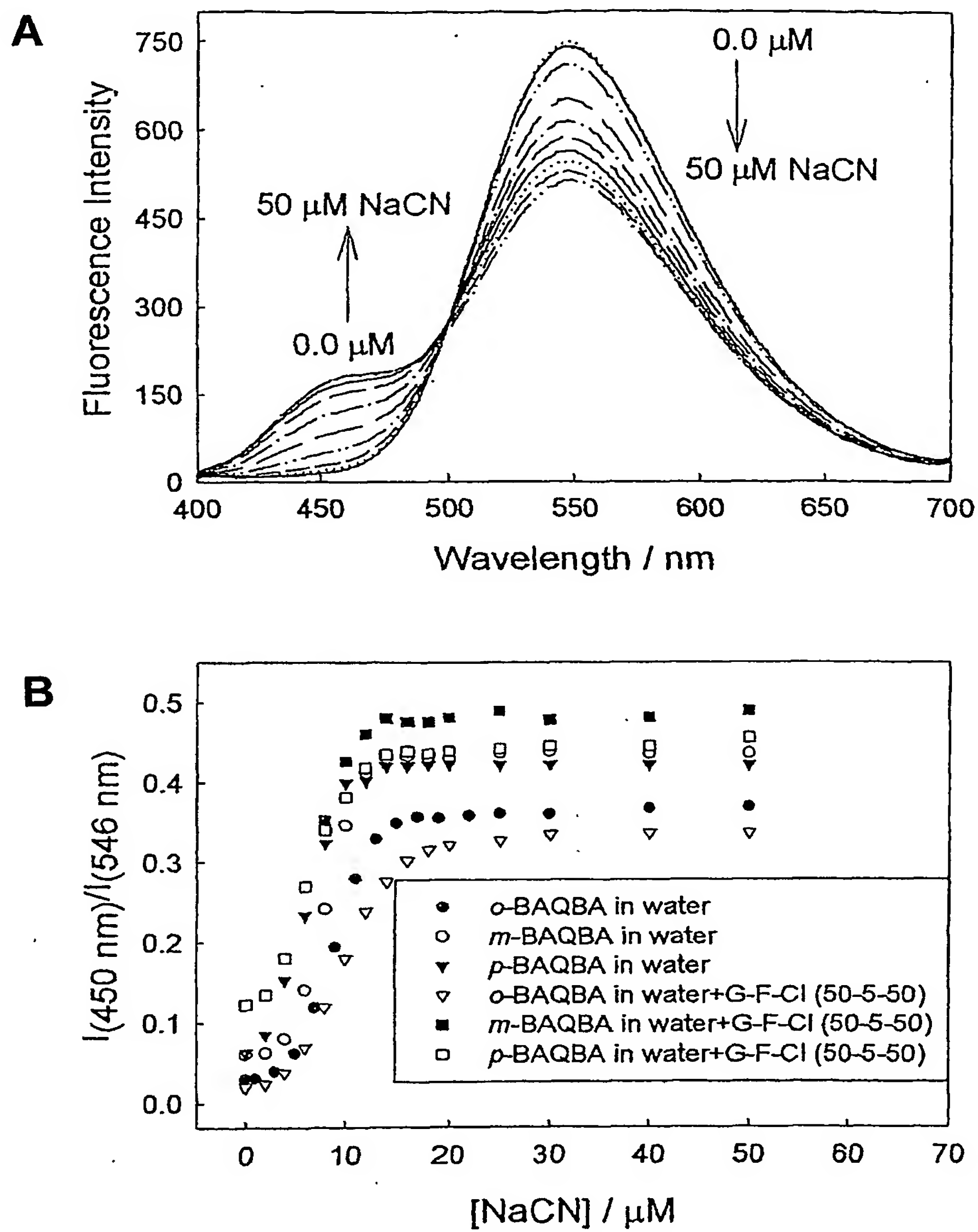


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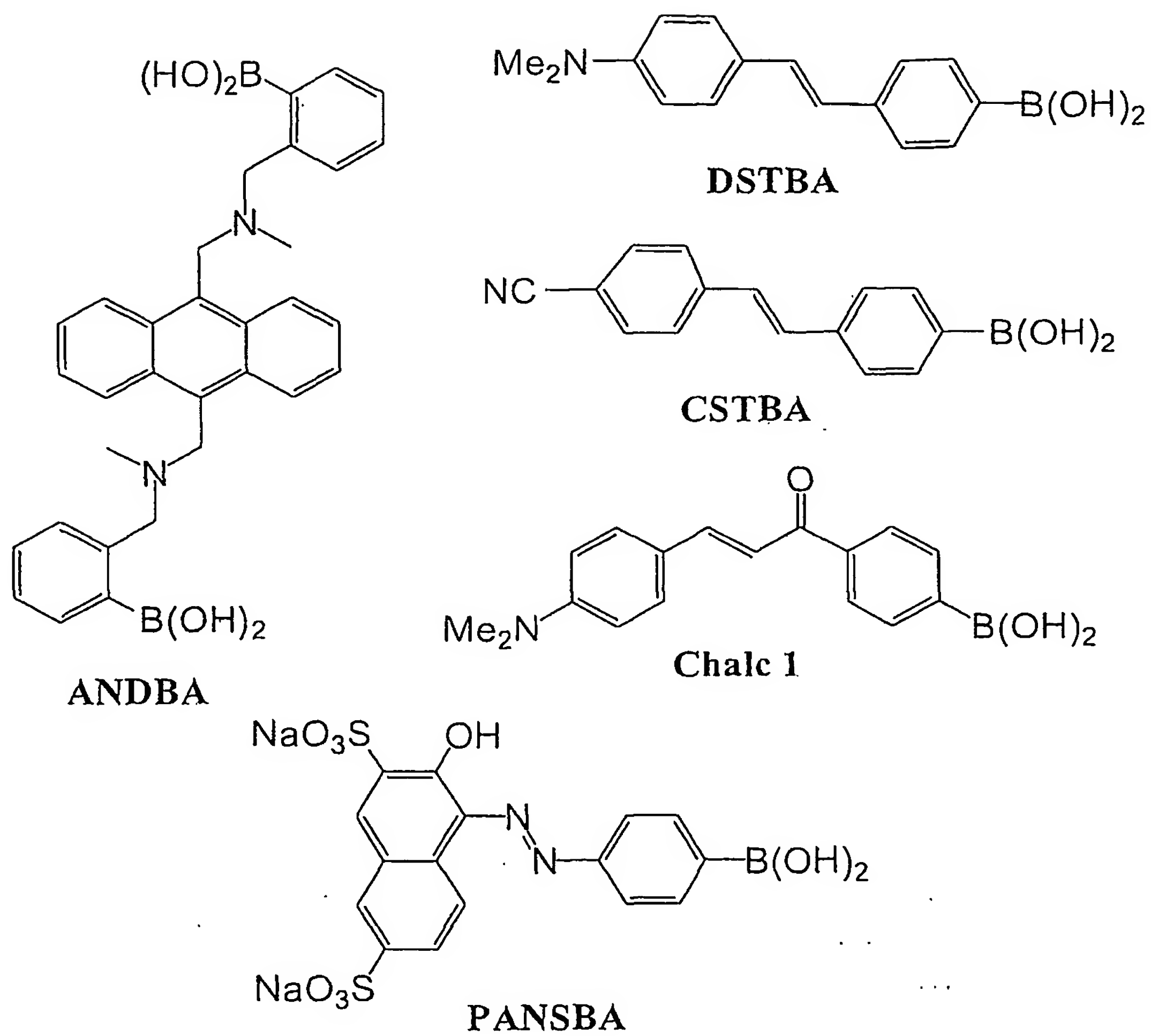


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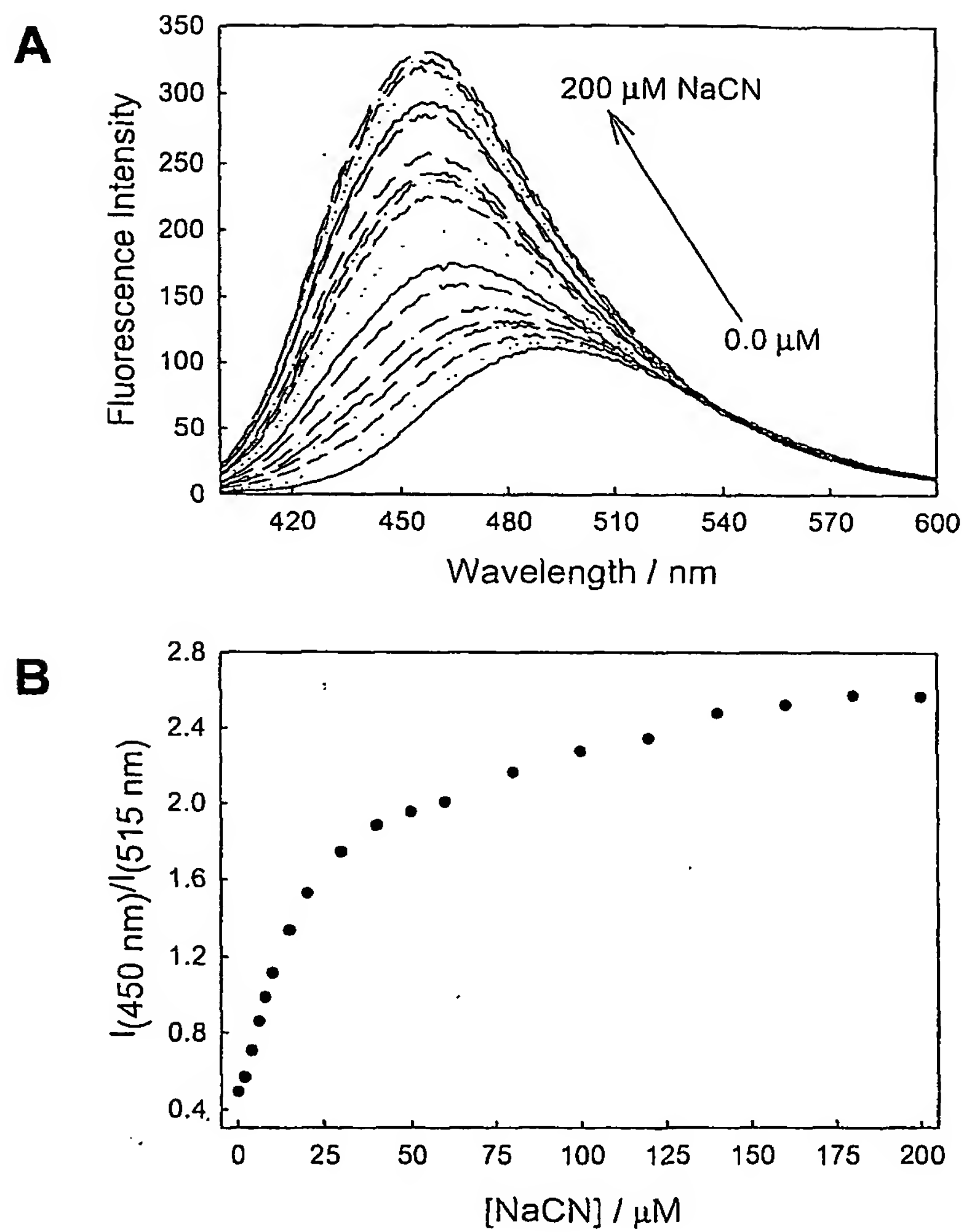


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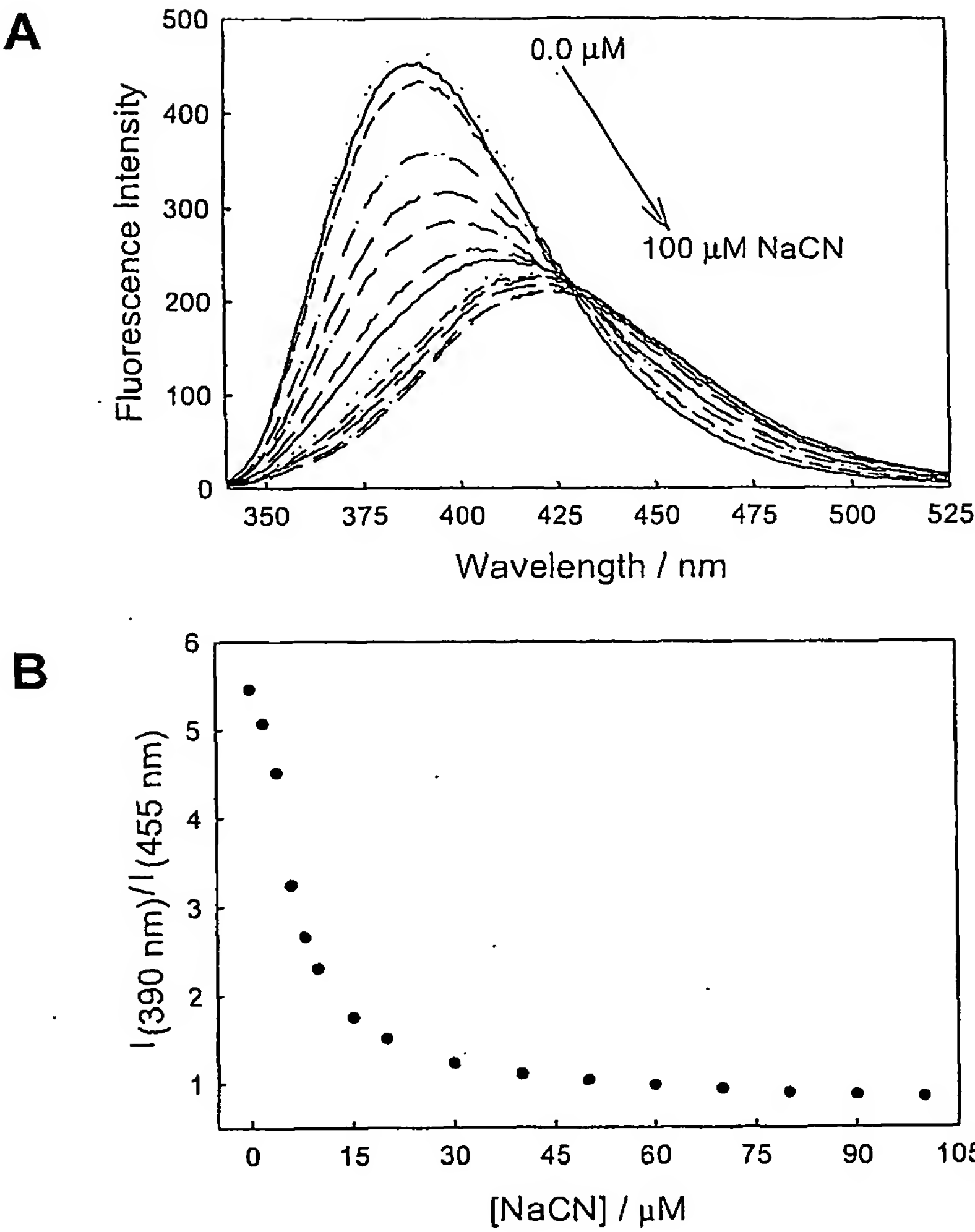


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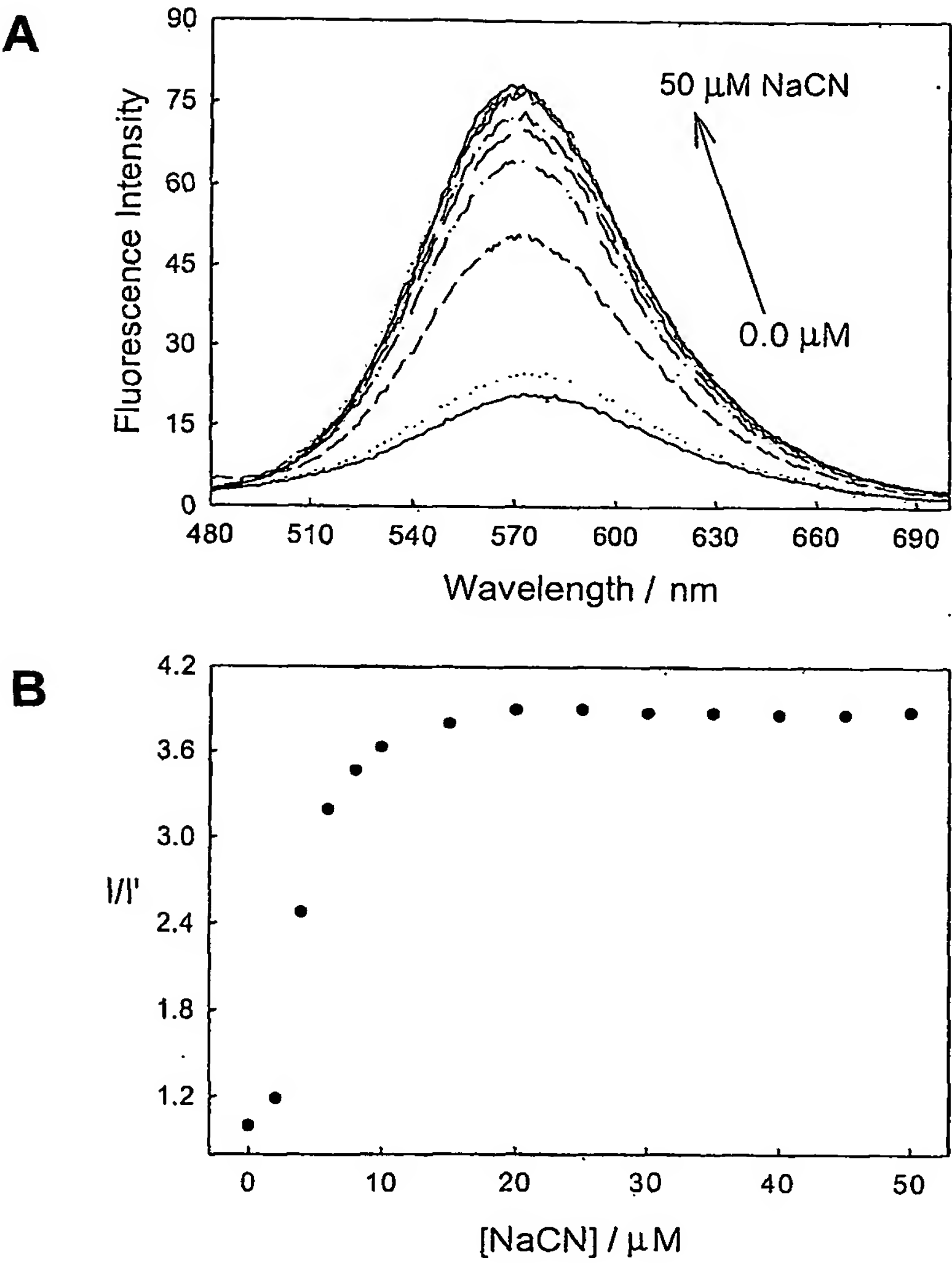


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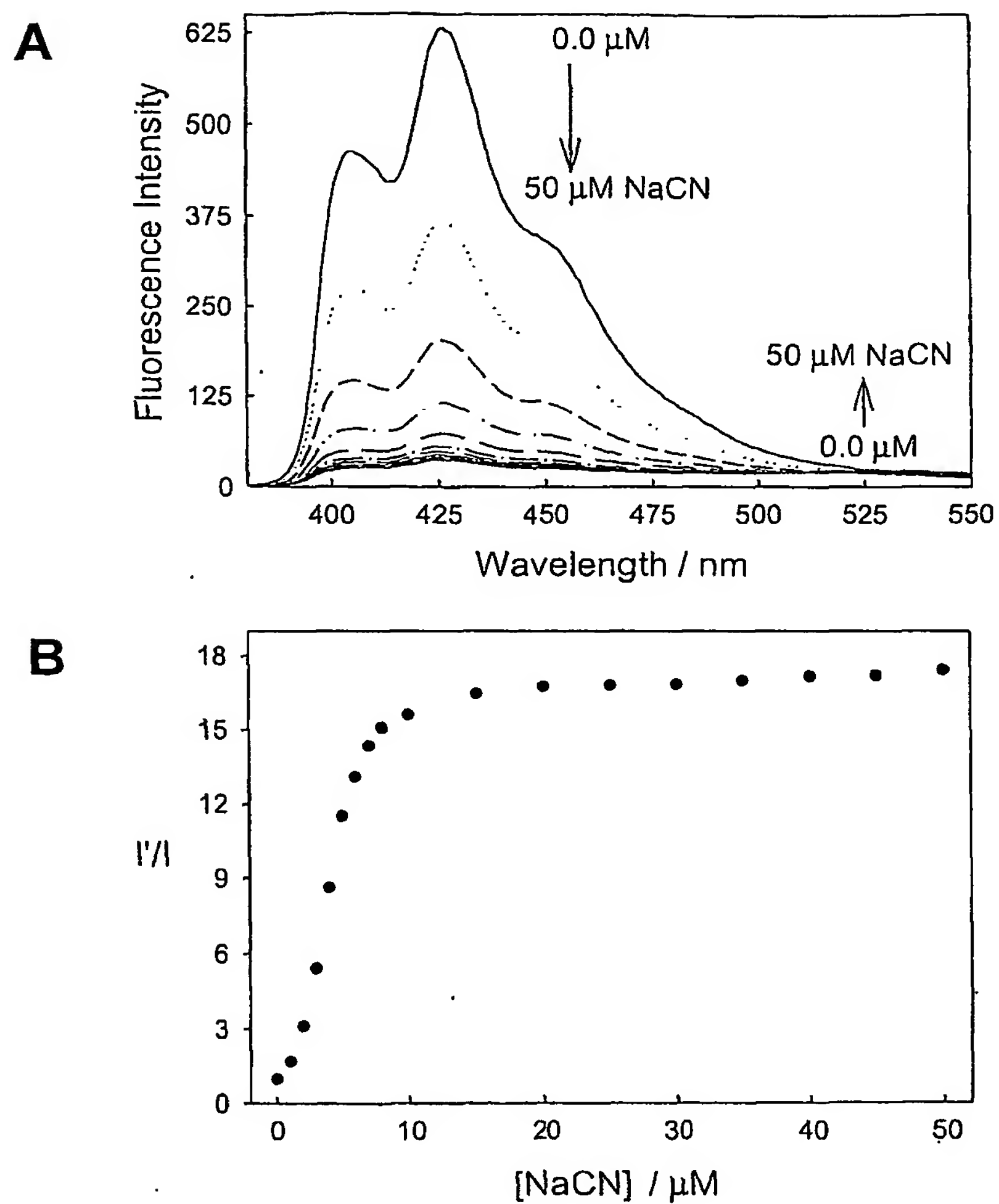


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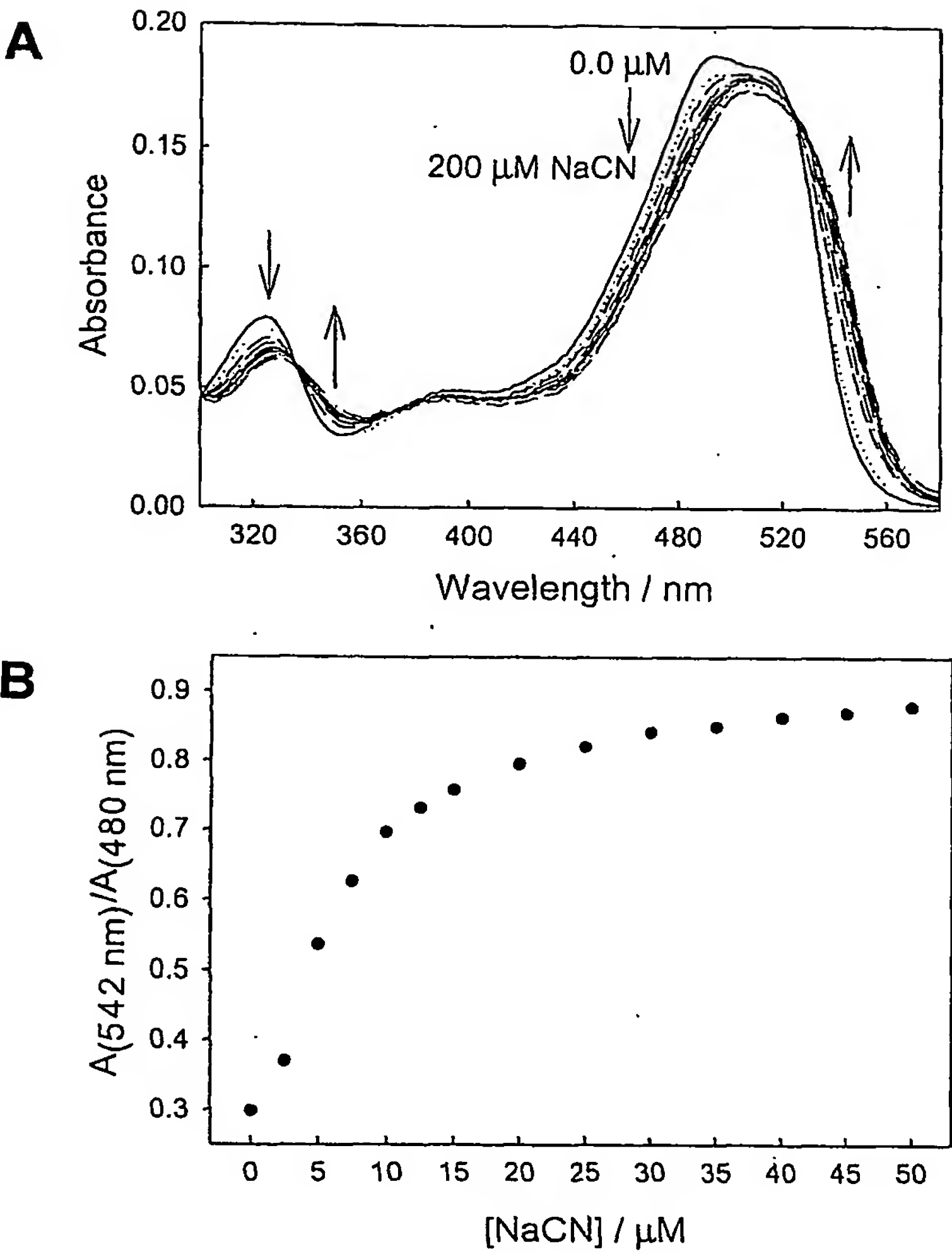
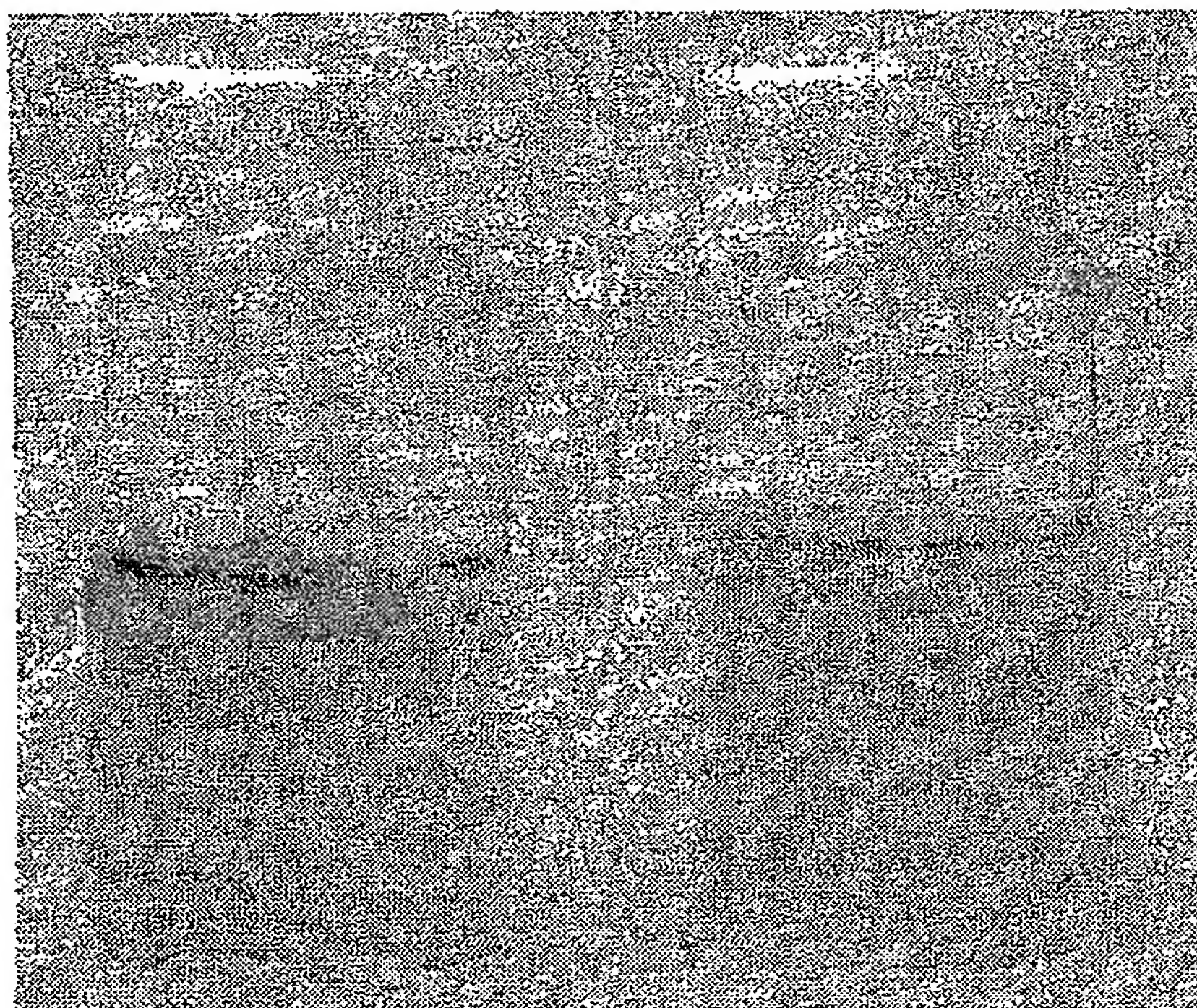


FIGURE 27

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FIGURE 28